

December 15, 2014

A regular meeting of the Board of Sewer & Water Commissioners was held on Monday, December 15, 2015, at 7:00 p.m., at the Edward J. Delaney Water Treatment Plant, 1303 Washington Street.

Present: John Spillane, Roger Turner, Patrick Fasanello, William Abbott and Ken Fettig. Also, Rick Mattson, Supt. of Sewer and Water.

All abatements submitted tonight are reviewed and signed.

Motion Made by Ken Fettig to accept the minutes of November 24, 2014. Second by William Abbott. Vote 5-0-0.

SUPERINTENDENT'S STATUS REPORT

Mr. Mattson reports that all has been fairly quiet so his staff has been working on valve locations, blowing them out, and making sure they are accessible. There was a leak on Stone Hill Terrace that his men took care of. Other than that it has been pretty quiet. Mr. Spillane asks about the problem with West Walpole and Mr. Mattson responds that his suspicion is that there is a 6" unlined cast iron pipe that might be killing the C-factor and it is becoming a quality issue at the dead ends. He is planning to have his men open cut a few pieces to see the condition. Mr. Abbott asks if this is the reason for the water flow in the Granite Street area and the answer is yes. Mr. Abbott says the trenches are washing out in the area and Mr. Mattson answers that his will have his men take care of them tomorrow. Mr. Mattson says the Morningside Drive/Allston Drive project is completed and repaired anything that was disturbed; the DPW will pave curb to curb in the spring. Mr. Fettig asks if there is anything new with Walpole Cooperative and Mr. Mattson says the information has been given to the Town's insurance company for a potential claim. Also, he has had the line checked weekly and the line has been treated.

REQUEST FOR ABATEMENT ON BILL (LAUNDROMAT) 893 MAIN STREET

Background history is provided by Mr. Mattson and he says based on the information provided by his staff he sees nothing out of the ordinary in their usage and no basis for an adjustment. **Motion Made** by John Spillane to send a letter to Ms. Cerullo denying her request for an adjustment to the water/sewer bill for the Laundromat at 883 Main Street (Account 201005575). Second by William Abbott. Vote 5-0-0.

AL MARHAMA ISLAMIC CEMETERY REVISED PLAN #2

Included in this agenda item is the Town Engineer's comments and Weston & Sampson Engineers Scope of Work. Mr. Fasanello says he visited the site and was not satisfied with the locations of the monitor wells that were installed. There is discussion and Mr. Mattson says he has not yet spoken to our consultant since they were installed. He says when he speaks with him he will ask him to come to the Board to explain why he chose the particular sites for the wells as he is the expert. **Motion Made** by John Spillane to send a letter stating that this Board concurs with the comments of the Town Engineer dated December 10, 2014. Second by Ken Fettig. Vote 5-0-0.

TWINS REALTY TRUST, 985-995 OLD POST RD

Plans and Town Engineers comments are reviewed and discussed. Mr. Fasanello asks the Superintendent to make sure the sewer line can accommodate the newly purchased day camp, as so

much money has been spent to protect the parcel. There is discussion on what other businesses should go on sewer in this area. Mr. Mattson informs that he has been contacted by the developers for the project on Old Post Road in Sharon and they are asking to use Walpole's utilities. They were told how the process works and was advised to write to this Board. **Motion Made** by John Spillane to concur with the comments of the Town Engineer with regard to Twins Realty Trust, 985-995 Old Post Road. Second by William Abbott. Vote 5-0-0.

CONVEYANCE OF SEWER UTILITIES SHUFELT ROAD

It is explained that the sewer on Shufelt Rd is installed and it is now being conveyed to the Town and the Sewer & Water Commission needs to accept it and sign the documents. Mr. Abbott asks if there are any betterments involved and Mr. Mattson says no this was done by the homeowners all are connected except the last house who did not want the sewer. The documents are signed by the Commission to accept conveyance of the sewer utilities on Shufelt Road.

WATER USE FY 14

Mr. Mattson explains that this letter is to the Town Accountant explaining how the weather affects the amount of water sold as she was frantic about our water revenue.

INFLOW/INFILTRATION LETTER OF DISAGREEMENT – BARBERRY HOMES

Mr. Mattson says this is the letter the Board asked to be sent to the Board of Appeals. Mr. Fasanello says it is a good letter.

SITE PLAN DECISION, CUMBERLAND FARMS, 1340 MAIN ST.

This is read and noted.

FY 2015 CAPITAL BUDGE SUBMITTAL

Mr. Mattson asks that the Board review his submittals and get back to him with any questions, changes or additions. Mr. Fasanello asks if there is any money included for the Sharon Country Day Camp. Mr. Mattson says it is in the O&M budget. He put \$17,500 in for professional services as did the Highway/Parks Department to contract out to a landscaper for next year. There is discussion as to whether or not there would be access through the woods and Mr. Mattson says he has to check with Conservation. There is a cart-like path there now but they need another access for fire and police. He says he will put a gate in. There is also discussion regarding the depth of the pond on the property. Mr. Spillane says he would like to keep it for the town to use for the first year and the prospect of leasing the property is briefly discussed.

The repair and recoating of Old Post Road Tank costing \$790,000 is discussed. To improve the pressure a booster or taller tank would be needed for another \$700,000. Mr. Spillane says we need to be careful with our spending right now. Mr. Fasanello reminds we also need to treat the dioxane.

Mr. Abbott asks if we have a lot of asbestos cement water mains and Mr. Mattson says 14 miles. There is discussion on why they should be replaced and the type of pipe to use.

Mr. Abbott then asks now that the 3 High Plain Street tanks are down if there is anything left of the original system. Mr. Mattson says the water mains on Washington Street and June Street are original.

Mr. Mattson then reports that the sewer retained earnings are very healthy right now and the Board may want to consider getting back into the sewer business.

SOUTH PRESSURE ZONE FIRE FLOW & C-FACTOR INVESTIGATION RESULTS

Mr. Mattson says the C factors hydraulic analysis is pretty poor looking. His men are now looking at the lower end of West Street for closed valves. There is some discussion however no action is necessary.

DISCUSSION

WATER MANAGEMENT ACT

Mr. Fasanello asks when the regulations will come out and Mr. Mattson says they already are out. Mr. Fasanello says he would like to see them and Mr. Mattson says it is a very thick document so he will send him the link. Mr. Fasanello would rather have a printed document. Mr. Abbott asks for the link.

Mr. Spillane says he would like to get rid of the Sharon Country Day Camp name and wonders who has the right to name the parcel. Mr. Fasanello says we own it so we can name it and asks what he would like to name it. Mr. Spillane says he would like to name it after his grandfather as it used to be his land and would like to call it Jarvis Farm. Mr. Fasanello suggests he make a motion and Mr. Spillane feels perhaps the Board would like to think about it first. Mr. Fasanello says he should make the motion tonight. **Motion Made** by John Spillane to rename the former Sharon Country Day Camp and as the owners of the property call it Jarvis Farm. Second by Patrick Fasanello. Vote 5-0-0.

Motion Made by Roger Turner to adjourn. Second by John Spillane. Vote 5-0-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Accepted January 12, 2015